

Notes used in the Message

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GENESIS 25:24-34

- » **24** † And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb.
- » **25** † And the first came out red, all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.
- » **26** † And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was threescore years old when she bare them.
- » **27** † And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents.
- » **28** † And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.
- » **29** † ¶ And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he was faint:
- » **30** † And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom.
- » **31** † And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.
- » **32** † And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?
- » **33** † And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.
- » **34** † Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised his birthright.

ROMANS 9:7-13

- » **7** † Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.
- » **8** † That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.
- » **9** † For this is the word of promise, At this time will I come, and Sara shall have a son.
- » **10** † And not only this; but when Rebecca also had conceived by one, even by our father Isaac;
- » **11** † (For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)
- » **12** † It was said unto her, The elder shall serve the younger.
- » **13** † As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4415

4415 » **prototokia** {pro-tot-ok'-ee-ah} **prwtotovkia** from 4416; TDNT -- 6:865,965; n n

AV -- birthright (1)

1) the right or advantages of the first born son.

These were not definitely fixed in patriarchal times. Great respect was paid to him in the household, and as the family widened into a tribe, this grew into sustained authority, undefined save by custom, in all matters of common interest. Thus the "princes" of the congregation had probable rights of primogeniture. Numbers 7:2; 21:18; 25:14.

Gradually the rights of the eldest son came to be more definite.

(1) The functions of the priesthood in the family, with the paternal blessing.

(2) A "double portion" of the paternal property was allotted by Mosaic law. Dt. 21:15-17.

(3) The eldest son succeeded to the official authority of the father. The first-born of the king was his successor by law. 2 Chr. 21:3. In all these Jesus was the first-born of the Father.

« 154-3 † **SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.4**

Before I close this subject, I know there is a question in your minds. You will want to know if I believe in the doctrine of preexistence. I don't believe in that Mormon doctrine of the preexistence of souls any more than I believe in reincarnation or the transmigration of souls. Be careful here and see this. It is not the person that comes predestinated eternally from God, IT IS THE WORD, OR SEED. That is it. Way back there, too far back for the human mind to grasp, the Eternal God with eternal thoughts, thought and decreed,

"JACOB HAVE I LOVED, BUT ESAU HAVE I HATED,

(Romans 9:13)

AND NEITHER WAS BORN, AND NEITHER HAD DONE GOOD OR EVIL."

See, it was the THOUGHT, and then that thought became expressed, and God bought back Jacob, because Jacob alone was SEED. Jacob, alone had the seed; that is why he had respect to the birthright and covenant of God. If you are true seed, you will hear that Word; the Spirit will baptize you into the body of Christ, filling you and empowering you, and you will receive the Word for your day and age. See how clear the true evidence becomes when the Word is revealed to you? Again, note, Jesus was the Royal Seed. He lived in a human body. When the Spirit called to Him (the Word-Manifested Thought), He went to Jordan and was there baptized in water. Upon obeying the Word, the Holy Spirit came upon Him and the voice said, "This is My beloved Son, hear ye Him." The voice did not say, "This has become My Son," Jesus WAS the Son. The Holy Ghost positioned Him as that Son before them all. Then having been filled thus (and the same pattern holds at Pentecost and ever after), He went in demonstrated power, receiving the full revelation of God and from God, for that day.

LUKE 15:11-32

» 11 † ¶ And he said, A certain man had two sons:

» 12 † And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living.

» 13 † And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.

» 14 † And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.

» 15 † And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

» 16 † And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.

» 17 † And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!

» 18 † I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,

» 19 † And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.

» 20 † And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

» 21 † And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

» 22 † But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet:

» 23 † And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry:

» 24 † For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

» 25 † Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing.

» 26 † And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant.

» 27 † And he said unto him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound.

» 28 † And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him.

» 29 † And he answering said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends:

» 30 † But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.

» 31 † And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.

» 32 † It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.

DEUTERONOMY 21:15-17

- » **15** † ¶ If a man have two wives, one beloved, and another hated, and they have born him children, both the beloved and the hated; and if the firstborn son be hers that was hated:
- » **16** † Then it shall be, when he maketh his sons to inherit that which he hath, that he may not make the son of the beloved firstborn before the son of the hated, which is indeed the firstborn:
- » **17** † But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated for the firstborn, by giving him a double portion of all that he hath: for he is the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn is his.

55-0223 JOB_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY_

« **E-23** † Under the laws of old redemption, say for instance, a little mule was born out in the pasture, and that little mule had both ears broke down, cross-eyed, knock-kneed, and his tail sticking right straight up, what a horrible looking critter. If the little fellow could think for himself, he'd say, "Well, mammy, I suppose when the master of the house comes out, he will just knock me in the head. I ain't worth nothing. I'll never be able to make it, because look--look what a horrible looking thing I am."

That's the way people still try to think; they're unworthy. You are; all of us is unworthy. But if the mother was well instructed in the laws of redemption, she'd say, "Honey, look, the priest will never see you. But the man of the house will have to take a lamb without a blemish, and that lamb will have to be looked over. And the lamb will have to be killed, so that you can live."

He'd say, "Why is this, mammy?"

He'd say, "Because you're borned under a birthright; you're the first one."

55-0223 JOB_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY_

« **E-24** † That's the way it is today. We, guilty, unworthy, should die. We're not worthy of living; we're not worthy to come to Christ; we're not worthy to ask anything; but God never looks at your unworthiness; He looked at the Lamb. Now, if He can't find no fault in Christ, then you're free. See? He died in your stead. Now, if there's any fault with Him, you're not free yet. But God don't examine you; He examines the Lamb.

You say, "I'm not worthy to walk out of this wheelchair tonight." That's right, you're not, but God don't examine you; He examined Christ. And if He's worthy, then you can walk. See? That's right. Depends on what you think about it.

You say, "Brother Branham, I'm an awful woman; I've lived illegally. I've done--I've even broke my marriage vows. I've done this..."

"And Mr. Branham, I tell you: I've been a drunkard, I've done this..."

No matter what you done, God never looks at you; He looks at the Lamb. And He's already accepted the Lamb, so you're free. God can't see you; He sees the lamb, dies in your stead. That's enough to make a fellow shout, isn't it? Sure is. When you think that, upon those basis of the Word.

61-0129 TURNING.NORTHWARD_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_

« **E-16** † But to Jacob it didn't make any difference how he got it, there was only one thing he had in his mind: and that was the birthright! No matter what... anything else, or how he got it... That's the way it is with a spiritual-born churches. When the Catholic church had a revival, when Luther had a revival, when Wesley had a revival, Knox, Calvin, and all down through the ages, it produced twins. And when Pentecost had a revival, it produced twins. When Moses had a revival down in Egypt, it produced twins, a mixed multitude: one to... one to the world, that wants to act like the world, be like the world, and pattern their message with the world. The others don't care about what the world says, how classic it looks, or how unclassic it looks, they got one thing in common, that's hold onto the birthright, keep a hold of God. Just the way it's always been. That's the way it is yet today, my friends. Hold onto the birthright.

Jacob, he... didn't make any difference how much they called him a sissy, how much... what... how he got it, just so he got it. That's the way it is today. Makes no difference to people who's spiritual. Now the... many times the churches are compromising. It gets so they just shake hands with the preacher.